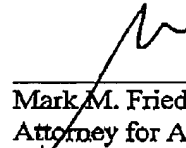


REMARKS

In view of the above amendments and remarks filed Dec. 28, 2006, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-12 are now in condition for allowance. Prompt notice of allowance is respectfully and earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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